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1. USUALLY RELIABLE EXPORTER CONTACT NOW VISITING PEKING INDICATED BEFORE DEPARTURE THAT PRC RICE EXPORTS DURING YEAR BEGUN OCT 1, 77 VERY LIKELY TO REACH 2 MMT. CITED KNOWN PURCHASES BY ONLY 2 OR 3 INTERNATIONAL HOUSES ALREADY TOTALING VICINITY OF 1 MMT AND INDICATED THAT THESE DO NOT INCLUDE VARIOUS BILATERAL COMMITMENTS ALREADY MADE OR LIKELY DURING BALANCE OF SEASON. THIS OF COURSE DOES NOT SEEM TO FIT WITH STORIES THAT RECENT BUYER INQUIRIES HAVE RECEIVED NEGATIVE PRC RESPONSE, ALTHOUGH IT MAY INDICATE THAT INQUIRIES ARE BEING DIRECTED TO WRONG PLACE, AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SHOULD INSTEAD BE GOING TO TRADE FIRMS TO WHOM PRC RICE MAY ALREADY HAVE BEEN COMMITTED. VANCE

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